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County Seat Indices. AND GLANCES AT THE TIMES.

—Miss Ina Osler visited friends in Dushore the early part of the week.

—Chas. H. Warren and wife of Estella, called on Laporte friends Tuesday.

—Miss Martha Ambrewster of Washington, D. C. is a guest at the Mountain House.

—Mrs. Harley Edkin of Hughesville and Miss Minnie Crossley of Benton, called on Mrs. F. M. Crossley Tuesday afternoon.

—Mrs. M. C. Lauer left last week for Washington, D. C. where she will spend several weeks with her son Ernest, and daughter Alma.

—All post masters along the W. & N. B. R. R. have received orders to weigh all mails passing over the road. This order went into effect on Wednesday and will be continued until otherwise ordered.

—The new school building at Hillsgrove is completed and the new grade established began work this week. The building is one that reflects much credit upon the Directors who had the enterprise in charge, and the citizens of that village now feel justly proud of their educational institution.

—One of the most enjoyable sleighing parties of the season left this place on Friday evening for Forksville and were most royally entertained at the Forksville House. We understand that some of the young gentlemen (very young) experienced some embarrassment when it came time to settle for the good things had at the hotel. Hereafter they will exercise more precaution when going out with their best girls, with only fifty cents in their pockets.

—Mrs. W. J. Higley, unfortunately met with a painful accident one day last week by being thrown from a cutter, while driving along the highway near Eldredsville, where she had been to attend her son, Porter Higley, who was seriously ill. Mrs. Higley fell from the sleigh which upset on a snow drift, and sustained painful bruises about the chest and sides which resulted in keeping her in her bed for several days, being unable to move without intense pain. She was accompanied by Mr. J. V. Finkle who also was called to the sick bed of his son Frank, who was dangerously ill.

—Owing to the quality and general worth of the product sold at the new Nordmont Steam Gristmill, the proprietors, Messrs. Wieland & Kessler are already receiving duplicate orders double in size, which speaks well for the new enterprise so long needed in this vicinity. From these gentlemen we learn that they intend to keep the present standard of excellence up to the top notch at all times. They are continually extending to their many customers and friends of Sullivan county a cordial invitation to visit their mill and satisfy themselves as to the new process used in the manufacture of various kinds of chop and buckwheat flour. On a visit to this mill ourselves we not only found it an orderly and inviting place, but found the genial proprietors to be gentlemen whom it is a pleasure to meet. If you can't do business satisfactory with them it surely will be no fault of theirs and no ones advantage to try elsewhere. This mill gives full weight and full worth. Patronize home mills.

—Bulletin No. 44, issued by the United States office gives the population of Pennsylvania by counties and minor civil divisions. Following is a table of Sullivan County's population together with the census of 1890:

Cherry	1900	1890
Colley	2703	2367
Davidson	1926	1662
Dushore	1714	1652
Eagles Mere	884	783
Elkland	316	
Forks	975	1058
Forksville	813	780
Fox	152	191
Hillsgrove	538	693
Laporte Borough	686	805
Laporte Townshp.	442	375
Shrewsbury	465	443
Shrewsbury	534	811
Total	12,134	11,620

—The Sullivan County Church Choir Convention is being held at the M. E. church, Sonestown, Pa. this week. This is their first meeting and it is hoped to make it a permanent organization.

The convention opened Tuesday and will close Friday evening with a grand concert. Miss Elsie Price Gano, of Williamsport, is the soloist and comes highly recommended. Miss Edith Crouse of Pictuue Rocks is the pianist, she has been heard here before. Miss Myrtle Edgar organist of the M. E. church will have charge of the organ, and the Zubo Quartette will play. An able director has been secured, and it has been arranged to apply the proceeds of the convention to the pastor's salary. Tickets are on sale and are 10 and 20 cents until Friday evening when they will be 15, 25 and 35 cents. All are cordially invited to attend.

—Those from town who attended the ball at Dushore Monday evening were Misses Bessie and Molly Wrede, Emma Ritter, Mabel Morgan, Messrs. Leo Wrede and Samuel Ritter. All reported a pleasant time.

—A. P. Wieland, the hustling and enterprising merchant of Nordmont, was in town Friday shaking hands with friends and making new acquaintances. Mr. Wieland was formerly traveling salesman for the Hinze Pickle House of Pittsburg, and is thoroughly up to date in his line of business.

Death of Aged Lady at Laporte.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Bradford, mother of Rev. Jas. T. Bradford pastor of First Baptist church of Laporte, Pa., died Monday, February 18, 1901, at 2:5 p. m., after an illness of eight days from a stroke of paralysis, suffering intensely until a few hours before her death, when she peacefully passed away to her home beyond the skies.

Mrs. Bradford was born in Baltimore Md., August 8, 1820, and died at the age of eighty-one years, five months and nine days. She has been a member of the Baptist church over fifty-two years. She died in the faith of the Lord Jesus Christ and was not ashamed of the gospel. The funeral was held on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. E. R. Powell, of Warrensville, former pastor at this place. Interment in Mt. Ash cemetery.

Pneumonia Carries Off a Well Known Young Man

Charley Reed, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Reed, died early Sunday morning of pneumonia at the home of his father-in-law Hanford Boston, in Davidson twp. Deceased was a highly esteemed young man of good habits, aged about twenty-four years and leaves a wife and two children. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon and interment made in Elk Lick cemetery. He was 23 years of age.

Smallpox is Epidemic at Loyalsockville.

Smallpox has been officially declared epidemic in the village of Loyalsockville, generally known as Slabtown, on Loyalsock creek, ten miles from Hillsgrove. Fifteen cases were found there by the State Board of Health officers who have taken vigorous measures to prevent the further spread of the dread disease. The town has been quarantined, the United States mail has been stopped from leaving the infected district and guards are stationed on the outskirts to shut the town off from the rest of the world.

Williamsport has been exposed to the manly and great excitement and anxiety prevails throughout the city. The city druggists have sent rush orders for vaccine virus points in quantities reaching 1,000. The health authorities of Williamsport and neighboring towns have already taken action to seize upon the first germs manifesting themselves in their midst.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter of Forksville, Branch, were visiting relatives in town last Sunday.

There was a pleasant scene at the home of Mrs. Martha Manley on Wednesday evening of last week, when her daughter Minnie was united in marriage to Herbert Foster, of this place. A. B. Kilmer, J. P., performed the ceremony, after which a bountiful repast was served to the guests. They have the hearty congratulations of their friend.

Wm. Hart and daughter Corda, of Campbellsville, were visiting at Frank Pachards last week.

P. J. Bowle of Dushore, was in town last week looking after the interest of the mercantile appraisal.

S. J. Leonard has gone to Elmira to see his daughter Mattie, who is in the hospital at that place, suffering with pneumonia.

One week from next Sunday Rev. Dice will preach his farewell sermon.

Seveval of our young people attended the party at Joseph Bedford-given in honor of their daughter, Miss Minnie.

A number of our young people assembled at the home of J. P. Kilmer, the other evening and listened to a concert given by Chas. Taylor, of Granville Centre, with his graphophone.

Floyd Manley is sick with the grip, at the home of his mother. Dr. Woodhead is in attendance.

Morris Williams expects to move back on his farm the coming week.

Allen Williams has been appointed local agent for L. C. Orrell & Co. Call and see his samples of wall paper.

Claude Smith will move to Yorktown in the near future.

Ettie Bohn has just recovered from an attack of eczema.

Newly Elected Officers for Sullivan Co. Districts.

Laporte Twp.—judge of election, Wm. J. Lowe; Insp. E. C. Burke; road supervisors, Minard Peterman, Jacob Jacoby; school Directors Lee R. Gavitt, B. B. King; overseer of poor, Philip Emig; assessor, Jos. Pennington; town clerk, E. C. Peters; auditors, Harry Fiester; J. P., Ernest Botsford.

Ringdale Precinct.—judge of election, Michael Jordan; Insp. S. Mead, Philip Emig.

Laporte Boro.—judge of election, E. J. Flynn; Insp. Leo Wrede, W. D. Finkle; town council, Jas. MacFarlane, W. B. Ritter, F. W. Gallagher, W. H. Rogers; school directors, J. W. Flynn, A. E. Tripp; assessor, Thos. E. Kennedy; overseer of poor, Chas. Landon; auditor, Leo Wrede.

Eagles Mere Boro.—judge of election, A. L. Moyer; Insp. Brady Bennett, M. E. Brink; town council, A. H. Marr, Alvice Dunham; Treas. S. E. Worthington; assessor, C. Peale jr.; school directors, Mrs. C. Peale jr., Ed. L. Lisson; overseer of poor, Geo. W. Smith; auditor, Wm. Pletcher.

Shrewsbury.—Judge of election, Chas. Roberts; Insp. Wm. Palmatier, C. A. Rider; road supervisor, Wm. Rine, G. S. Taylor; school directors, J. A. Bennett, J. A. Meyers; Treas. Boyd P. Bennett; overseer, G. W. Craft; collector, G. W. Lawrenson; assessor, Harry Little; auditor, Alvin Fulmer; J. P., J. H. W. Little.

Mt. Vernon Precinct.—Judge of election, John Deegan; Insp. T. J. Edkin, W. D. Parsons.

Forksville.—judge of election, B. Fawcett; Insp. J. B. Smith, F. W. Glidwell; councilmen, Geo. W. Snyder, J. R. Fleming, C. M. Osler; school directors, W. C. Rogers, Chas. Nye, E. S. Sturdevant; overseer of poor, John Fleming; assessor Isaac Rogers; auditors, D. F. McCarty, H. D. Lancaster, John Randall; constable, John Randall.

Forks twp.—judge of election, J. K. Bird; Insp. E. E. Vough, Chas. Kahn; road commissioners, Wm. M. Stiff; school directors, Wm. P. Kelley, D. H. Epler; Treas. Powell Norton; town clerk, W. R. Norton; overseer of poor, M. A. Sayman; assessor, G. W. Lambert; auditor, Lloyd Streby; J. P., G. W. Bender.

Cherry Twp.—judge of election, J. W. McMahan; Insp. Ed. Weisbrod, Fred Sayer; road Com., Mich-

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Bernice Precinct.—judge of election, John Donovan; Insp. H. W. Johnson, S. A. Deffenbach.

Davidson Twp. judge of election, J. C. Boatman; Insp. Samuel Eddy, O. A. Fritz; supervisors, Peter G. Swank, Isaac Wilson; overseer of poor, D. W. Darling, Wm. M. Robbins; school directors, Dan Phillips, Harvey Phillips; town clerk, C. A. Starr; assessor, H. P. Hall; auditors, M. D. Sweeney, F. Magargle, J. B. Robbins.

Jamison City Precinct.—judge of election, Thos. Babb; Insp. W. P. Sones, Parvin Kile.

Dushore Boro.—judge of election, C. H. Jones, W. H. Carrol; Insp. Frank Landon, C. S. Reitmeyer; councilmen, Jerry Degam, J. L. Utz; school directors, B. Kline, M. E. Herman; overseer of poor, J. H. Farrel, John Hoffa; assessor, A. E. Seurman; auditor, C. E. Molyneux; J. P. J. H. Bohn.

Elkland Ewp.—judge of election, A. L. Grange; Insp. J. D. Gilbert John Anable; road Com., Henry Hugo; school directors, J. S. Osler, J. J. Pardoe, Hamp Pardoe; assessor, James P. Brechley; Treas. Philander Kinney; town clerk, Seth Brown; overseer of poor, John Whitley; auditor, Edson Pardoe.

Colley Twp.—judge of election, Wm. Decker, Insp. Bert Pritchard, G. D. Deffenbach; road Com., Albert Dyer; school directors, A. L. Parish, H. W. Messersmith; Treas. F. L. Campbell; town clerk, J. E. Reese Kilgore; overseer of poor, W. J. McCartney; auditor, B. L. Keeney; assessor, M. L. Hunsinger.

Rickets Precinct.—judge of election, Howard Rheinhart; Insp. Archie Jones, Emery Shock.

Lopez Precinct.—judge of election Frank Wilcox; Insp. G. H. Hoffman, John Burke.

Fox Twp.—Judge of election, G. J. Williams; Insp. B. E. Bohn, Perry Fanning; road Com., Jas. M. Morgan; school directors, O. J. Williams, Isaac Williams; Treas. Isaac Williams; town clerk, Leon Campbell; overseer of poor, J. P. Kilmer; assessor, A. F. Letts; auditor, Martin Wilcox.

Mary Condit-Smith Weds. WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Lieutenant Richard S. Hooker and Miss Mary O. Condit-Smith were married at noon yesterday at Epiphany church by Bis Satterlee. After the wedding the couple left for a short tour. Upon their return they will take up their residence at the Brooklyn navy yard, where Lieutenant Hooker is stationed. The bride is the daughter of the late J. Condit-Smith of New York. While sojourning in China several months ago she became a prisoner during the siege of Peking. The groom is the son of Mrs. Bessie Stewart and the grandson of Senator Stewart. He received his commission over a year ago and recently was promoted.

A Preacher's Changes of Creed. MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Feb. 12.—At a special meeting of the presbytery of Hudson, convened here, the Rev. B. J. Morgan, a Methodist minister, asked to be reinstated in the Presbyterian church. He recently severed his connection with the Presbyterian church to become a Methodist.

A Monitor Gunner Dead. BOSTON, Feb. 9.—John McMahon, one of a gun crew on the Monitor in the naval fight with the Merrimack, is dead at his home. Since the war he had been a steamship officer on the Fingor line.

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